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A. WILLIAMS & CO. have published a volume of verses by a new poet—Owen Innsly—entitled "Love Poems and Sonnets," daintily printed and neatly issued in a parchment cover. The Boston *Advertiser* speaks in warm praise of the contents of the book.

HARPER & BROTHERS have just issued "The Mendelssohn Family (1729–1847), from Letters and Journals," by Sebastian Hensel, translated by Carl Klingemann and an American collaborator. The volumes are full of new letters and new characters. The father of this interesting family is the writer of some of the brightest and wittiest letters here published. They abound in humor, shrewdness, and amusing gossip of London and Paris.

PRESLEY BLAKISTON has just published "Winter and its Dangers," one of the popular American Health Primers, in paper binding, at the low price of 30 cents. Already the considerable orders received for this new shape indicate the appreciation of the trade and public. Another work just ready is "Bruen's Pocket-Book of Physical Diagnosis," for the student and physician, in which the subject is treated in a simple and practical manner. A valuable little work in the line of convenient aids is Bulkley's "Skin in Health and Disease," which gives treatment, classification, and notes on diet and hygiene, and is well illustrated. It is issued both in cloth and paper bindings at prices respectively 50 and 30 cents.

J. B. LIPPINCOTT & CO. have ready Mrs. Forrester's new novel, "My Lord and My Lady," in both cloth and paper. Also Rev. William Pittenger's "Capturing a Locomotive," a history of secret service in the late war, and McGarvey's "Lands of the Bible," a geographical and topographical description of Palestine, with letters of travel in Egypt, Syria, Asia Minor, and Greece. "Sabbath Home Readings" is a series of meditations for the Lord's day, upon vital themes of spiritual thought, experience, and duty, designed for the closet, the family, or the social circle. Other interesting works just published are "Extracts from the Writings of Wm. M. Thackeray," chiefly philosophical and reflective; the new volume on "Operas: their Writers and their Plots;" and Hart's "Unity of the Faith," an earnest little essay.

I. K. FUNK & CO. have just issued four important books for Bible students. These are the "Teachers' Edition of the Revised New Testament," a valuable and comprehensive aid to Bible study, accompanied by an index and condensed concordance, harmony of the Gospels, maps, parallel passages in full, tables and many other indispensable helps; the "Gospel of Mark," extracted from the preceding and specially designed as a help in the international Sunday-school lessons for 1882; a "Commentary on Mark," which aims to give a critical, exegetical, and homiletical treatment of the Gospel in which the international lessons for 1882 are contained; and "Sermons to Boys and Girls about Jesus," a volume of sermons on each of the International Lessons for 1882, and on other events in Christ's life, by distinguished preachers in this country and England. The volume is primarily designed as a help in the study of the International lessons. They also announce for early issue a fac-simile reprint of Spurgeon's great work, "The Treasury of David," in six octavo volumes, devoted to the study and exposition of the Psalms of David.

## JOURNALISTIC NOTES.

WE are indebted to the kindness of John Ward Dean for the first volume of *The New England Bibliopolist*, which comprises the book-notices from the "Historical and Genealogical Register."

*Appletons' Literary Bulletin* is a new monthly issue, of eight quarto pages, devoted to select reviews and notices of the new books published by Messrs. D. Appleton & Co. The first number appears this month. The notes and reviews are eclectic, taken from leading American and English papers, and appetizing extracts from the new books of the house are also given.

THE *Critic*, as a literary journal, is certainly fulfilling its promises. Its Holiday number (but why "Holiday"?) is perhaps one of its brightest issues. Some of its reviews have a vim and "snap" which is rarely found in the conservative literary journals of the old world. The *Critic* possesses the precious element—humor—which is sadly lacking in those two journals at home which thus far have been considered the most prominent. Its shortcomings fortunately are few, but, we are sorry to repeat, are unfortunately still too conspicuous. Yet, even Achilles had his vulnerable heel, and Richelieu prided himself on being a playwright. Further "illustrations" are unnecessary.

## WEEKLY RECORD OF NEW PUBLICATIONS.

*In this list, the titles in brevier are direct transcriptions from books actually received, according to the rule of the American Library Association; those in nonpareil are from the best information available, and will be repeated in brevier when the book is received for registry.*

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*Imported books are marked with an asterisk; authors' and subscription books, or books published at net prices, with two asterisks; educational books published at "wholesale" prices, with a dagger.*

**Bainbridge,** Lucy S. Round-the-world letters. Bost., D. Lothrop & Co., 1882 [1881]. 542 p. il. D. cl., $1.50.

An account of two years' travel around the world; originally appeared as a series of letters for the *Providence Daily Journal.*

**Barth,** A. The religions of India; authorized translation by Rev. J. Wood. Bost., Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 1882 [1881]. 24+309 p. 8°. (Eng. and foreign philosophical lib., no. 24.) cl., $5.

**Bible.** Commentary on the Old Testament, ed. by D. D. Whedon. V. 6: Book of Job, by J. K. Burr; Book of Proverbs, by W. W. Hunter; Book of Ecclesiastes and of Solomon's Song, by A. B. Hyde. N. Y., Phillips & Hunt, 1881. 557 p. 12°. cl., $2.25.

**Bennoch,** Francis. Poems, lyrics, songs and sonnets; authorized American ed. Bost., Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 1881. 24+400 p. por. 16°. cl., $2.

**Berean** beginner's book on the International lessons for 1882. N. Y., Phillips & Hunt, 1881. 184 p. 18°. (Berean ser., no. 3.) bds., 15 c.

**Berean** question-book on the International lessons for 1882. N. Y., Phillips & Hunt, 1881. 208 p. 18°. (Berean ser., no. 2.) bds., 15 c.

**Bolles,** J: R. The edelweiss: a poem. New London, Ct., C: Allyn, 1881. 132 p. S. cl., $1.

**Bunyan,** J: Pilgrim's progress; with memoir, bibliography, index and il. by Gunston and others. *Elstow ed.* N. Y., A. D. F. Randolph & Co., 1881. 12°. sides of cover made of the oak taken from Elstow church, hf. mor., *net*, $3.50; hf. mor., extra gilt edges, *net*, $5.

**Burre,** Gerald. Returned to life. N. Y., J. S. Ogilvie & Co., 1881. 31 p. Q. (People's lib., no. 141.) pap., 10 c.

**Butler,** S. W., *M.D.* The physician's daily pocket-record; comprising a visiting-list, many useful memoranda, tablets, etc. *16th year. New and rev. electrotype ed.*, with metric posological tables, ed. by D. G. Brinton, M.D. Phil., *Medical and Surgical Reporter*, 1882 [1881]. For 70 patients, $2; for 35, $1.50.

**Calkins,** N. A. Manual of object-teaching; with illustrative lessons in methods and the science of education. N. Y., Harper, 1882 [1881]. 469 p. D. cl., $1.25.

"Twenty years ago, my work entitled 'Primary object-lessons' was published. . . . The new volume now presented to the public embraces the same general plan of instruction as did the former one, and it also extends over a broader field, including subjects for more advanced teaching, and introduces a greater variety of available means for developing the powers of pupils. This volume is further intended to supplement my first, thus presenting the subject in greater completeness by means of both books. It also specially aims to lead teachers to consider the principles of education by which true teaching is guided to valuable results."—*Preface.*

**Chamberlain,** P. B. What about Fred? N. Y., T: Y. Crowell & Co., 1881. 254 p. 16°. cl., $1.25.

**Cook,** Joel. Brief summer rambles near Philadelphia: described in a series of letters written for the *Public Ledger* during the summer of 1881. Phil., J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1882 [1881]. 303 p. D. cl., $1.

"The motive that prompted the sketches pervades the whole series. This was to remind our people how many pleasant places, how much picturesque scenery, how many delightful jaunts, how great a body of interesting annals and tradition and instructive history there are within a few hours' ride from the city [Philadelphia] by rail or river."—*Introduction*, by Mr. McKean, editor of *Public Ledger.*

**Crosby,** W: O. Common minerals and rocks. Bost., Ginn, Heath & Co., 1881. 130 p. 16°. (Guides for science-teaching, no. 12.) pap., 35 c.

**Daudet,** Alphonse. Numa Roumestan; from the French by Jacob Abarbanell. N. Y., J. S. Ogilvie & Co., 1881. 58 p. Q. (People's lib., no. 144.) pap., 10 c.

**Daudet,** Alphonse. Numa Roumestan; tr. by Laura E. Kendall. N. Y., G: Munro, 1881. 37 p. Q. (Seaside lib., no. 1162.) pap., 10 c.

The hero of this novel, "Numa Roumestan," a distinguished French statesman, originally from the south of France, is generally accepted as a picture of Gambetta, the great French leader of the present; the book is chiefly interesting as a picture of the French republic of to-day, with its many great men, and its many artistic and social phases.

**Diman,** J. L:, *D.D.* Orations and essays: with selected parish sermons; a memorial volume. Bost., Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 1882 [1881]. 10+416 p. por. D. cl., $2.50.

A memorial volume of the late Prof. Diman. It contains some of his most important essays and addresses, with selections from his sermons, and is prefaced with a memorial address by Prof. J. O. Murray, of Princeton, who edits the volume.

**Domville,** E: J. A manual for hospital nurses and others engaged in attending on the sick. *New ed.* Phil., Presley Blakiston, 1881. 16°. cl., 75 c.

**Dowling,** R: My darling's ransom. N. Y., G: Munro, 1881. 22 p. Q. (Seaside lib., no. 1152.) pap., 10 c.

**Eidlitz,** Leopold. The nature and function of art, more especially of architecture. N. Y., A. C. Armstrong & Son, 1881. 22+493 p. O. cl., $4.

This work comprehends an inquiry into the nature of art in general, in the course of which its current themes are critically examined. This inquiry comprises the second part of the work. The first is devoted to an examination of the present condition of architecture, and the third to the means by which architecture may be made again a living art. This third part comprehends an analysis of antique and mediæval architecture, and although it deals to some extent with technical questions, is so written as to be intelligible to unprofessional readers.

**Exercises** in celebrating the 250th anniversary of the settlement of Cambridge, held Dec. 28, 1880. Printed by order of the City Council. Cambridge [Mass.], C: W. Sever, 1881. 163 p. pors. and il. O. cl., $1.50.

Contains remarks and addresses by H: W. Longfellow, Thos. Wentworth Higginson, Gov. J: D. Long, Pres. C: W. Eliot, Hon. H. O. Houghton, and a poem by Oliver Wendell Holmes. App. cont. several papers: Memorial tablets in Cambridge; Cambridge, 1630–1880; Government of the City of Cambridge, 1880, and a chronological catalogue of city officials. There are also a number of portraits and illustrations, and a full index. Very handsomely printed on tinted paper and in rich binding.

**Hardy,** T: What the shepherd saw: a tale of four moonlight nights; [*also*] The duke's plantation, by Cuthbert Bede. N. Y., G: Munro, 1881. 28 p. Q. (Seaside lib., no. 1155.) pap., 10 c.

**Heard,** Franklin Fiske. Oddities of the law. Bost., Soule & Bugbee, 1881. 4+192 p. D. cl., $1.50.

A collection of wise, witty and odd remarks and comments by famous judges, great lawyers and law reporters; will be found exceedingly amusing and instructive, not only to the legal profession, but to the general reader. Mr. Heard is

well qualified to make a good book of this kind, as he has an intimate and peculiar knowledge of English courts and court reporters. Author of "Curiosities of the law reporters."

**Hickok,** Laurens P, *D.D.* Empirical psychology; or, the human mind as given in consciousness; rev. with the co-operation of Julius H. Seelye, D.D. Bost., Ginn, Heath & Co., 1881. 12°. cl., $1.30.

**Higginson,** T: Wentworth. Common-sense about women. Bost., Lee & Shepard, 1882 [1881]. 4+403 p. D. cl., $1.50.

These very sensible talks about women are grouped under: physiology, temperament, the home, society, education, employment, principles of government, suffrage and objections to suffrage.

**Holst,** H. von. The constitutional and political history of the U. S.; from the German by J: J. Lalor and Paul Shorey. V. 3: 1846-1850.—Annexation of Texas.—Compromise of 1850. Chic., Callaghan & Co., 1881. 10+597 p. 8°. cl., $3.50; shp., $4; hf. cf., $5.

**Hughes,** *Rev.* D. C. Sunday-school lesson commentary for 1882: Studies in the book of Mark; critical, homiletical and practical, for teachers, pastors and parents. N. Y., I. K. Funk & Co., [1881]. 6+318 p. O. cl., $1; pap., 60 c.

**Innsly,** Owen. Love poems and sonnets. Bost., A. Williams & Co., 1881. 4+195 p. S. pap.

"The most remarkable volume of American poetry which has appeared of late is that entitled 'Love poems and sonnets,' by an unknown but not unskilled author, writing under the name of Owen Innsley. The book itself is exquisite and dainty, simply folded into a white parchment cover. The poems are on miscellaneous subjects, but the chief theme is love—not the melancholy love of a broken and despised heart—not the triumph of the sucessful lover—nor the unreturned passion of which so many poets slowly die—in verse."—*Bost. Advertiser.*

**Jacob,** G. A., *tr.* A manual of Hindu pantheism: The Wedântasâra; tr. with copious annotations by Major G. A. Jacob. Bost., Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 1881. 10+129 p. 8°. (Eng. and foreign philosophical lib., no. 25.) cl., $2.50.

**Longfellow,** H. Wadsworth. Seven voices of sympathy; from the writings of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow; ed. by Charlotte Fiske Bates. Bost., Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 1882 [1881]. 16+258 p. S. cl., $1.25.

Selection from the prose and poetry of Mr. Longfellow for the solace of those afflicted by death, for the depressed, the neglected, the toiling, the erring, the struggling and the aged. Grouped under the headings: 1, Bereavement and suffering; 2, Weakness, struggle and aspiration; 3, Labor and endurance; 4, Restlessness, doubt and darkness; 5, Self-denial and philanthropy; 6, Neglect, disappointment and injustice; 7, Retrospection and old age.

**McCurdy,** Ja. F: Aryo-Semitic speech: a study in linguistic archæology. Andover, Warren F. Draper, 1881. 12+176 p. O. cl., $2.

"Mr. McCurdy's contribution to the scientific treatment of the subject consists in his attempt to fix with precision the original Semitic and Indo-European alphabets, and to exhibit the process of the formation of stems in order to pass from the existing to the original stem-forms. He undertakes to show that the two alphabets may be reduced to the same original alphabet of twelve consonants, and then, by striking out later formative letters from stems and replacing derived with primary letters, he tries to come at the original stems and compare them. In this way, he finds nearly sixty stems which he thinks have the same form and meaning in the two families; and he concludes that we are justified in assuming their original identity."—*Christian Register.*

**Mackenzie,** Rob. America: a history. N. Y., T: Nelson & Sons, 1882 [1881]. 564 p. D. cl., $1.50.

Divided into 3 pts.: 1, The United States; 2, Dominion of Canada; 3, South America. The history is written from an English point of view, but altogether in sympathy with American ideas and institutions. The larger part of the work relates to the U. S.; it is a condensed narrative, covering the period from the discovery by Columbus to the death of Garfield—the last chapter closing with an appropriate extract from Mr. Lowell's tribute at the memorial meeting in Exeter Hall.

**Marjorie's** trial, by the author of "A cunning woman;" [*also*] The other ear-ring. N. Y., J. S. Ogilvie & Co., 1881. 20 p. Q. (People's lib., no. 140.) pap., 10 c.

**Maynard,** C. T. Birds of Eastern North America, with original description of all the species which occur east of the Mississippi River. Bost., Alden & Hazen, 1882 [1881]. 4+532 p. 32 col. lith. pl. 4°. cl., $18; hf. mor., $23; mor., $25.

**Milton,** J: Paradise lost; il. by Gustave Doré. *New ed.* N. Y., Cassell, Petter, Galpin & Co., 1881. F. cl., $6; full levant mor., $10.

**Murray,** D: Christie. Joseph's coat. N. Y., G: P. Putnam's Sons, 1881. 6+506 p. il. sq. S. (Transatlantic novels, no. 7.) cl., $1; pap., 60 c.

"'Joseph's coat' is one of the best novels we have met with for a long time. It shows not only a rare power of understanding and drawing character, but the perhaps rarer power of constructing a plot of first-rate interest."—*London Athenæum.*

**Murray,** D: Christie. Joseph's coat. N. Y., G: Munro, 1881. 70 p. Q. (Seaside lib., no. 1156.) pap., 20 c.

**Noel,** *Lady* Augusta. Owen Gwynne's great work: a novel. N. Y., G: Munro, 1881. 33 p. Q. (Seaside lib., no. 1153. pap., 10 c.

**Peter** Parley's annual for 1882: being the strange stories of tinker, tailor, soldier, sailor, rich man, poor man, ploughboy, thief. N. Y., Cassell, Petter, Galpin & Co., 1881. 279 p. il. 12°. cl., $3.

**Phillimore,** Lucy. Sir Christopher Wren: his family and his times; with original letters and a discourse on architecture hitherto unpublished. N. Y., Harper, 1881. 44 p. Q. (Harper's Franklin sq. lib., no. 218.) pap., 20 c.

**Physician's** clinical record, for hospital and private practice; with memoranda for examining patients, temperance charts, etc. Phil., D. G. Brinton, 1881. 16°. cl., $1.

**Pittenger,** *Rev.* W: Capturing a locomotive: a history of secret service in the late war. Phil., J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1882. 354 p. il. D. cl., $1.50.

Mr Pittenger was an active participant in the episode described in this book—the actual capture of a locomotive on the Chattanooga R. R. during the late war by a party of daring Northern soldiers—many of the participators in the reckless expedition were executed, others imprisoned, and a few escaped; the names of all of them are given, with details connected with this remarkable chapter in our late war never before published.

**Roach,** Sallie Neill. Theon: a tale of the American civil war. Phil., J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1882 [1881]. 220 p. D. cl., $1.50.

"A novel in rhyme. The work was evidently modelled on Lord Lytton's 'Lucile.' The versification is essentially the same, and there are some points of resemblance in the character of the story. The plot is fairly interesting, but there is nothing in it that could not have been better told in prose. There is a little poetic feeling here and there, and the author certainly has some skill in rhyming and a good command of language."—*Boston Gazette.*

**Rosenthal,** R: S. The meisterschaft system: a simple and practical method, enabling any one to learn, with slight effort, to speak fluently and correctly French, German, Spanish and Italian.—German, in fifteen parts, each containing three lessons. N. Y., I. K. Funk & Co., [1881]. 2+118 p. D. bds., $5 *for the set, by subscription.*

This is Pt. 1 (German) of a system of teaching foreign languages which has attained great success in Europe. In speaking of the system, Dr. Heinrich Schliemann, the celebrated explorer of Greek antiquities, says: "The 'Meisterschaft System' is simply a scientific adaptation of the natural method by which all persons, whether children or adults, educated or otherwise, rapidly and correctly acquire the language which they constantly hear, and which they are instinctively impelled to imitate when resident in a foreign country. It is the best system for all practical purposes, and leads within a few weeks to really surprising results."

**Rossetti,** Dante Gabriel. Ballads and sonnets. Bost., Roberts Bros., 1882 [1881]. 14+283 p. S. cl., $1.50.

The ballads in Mr. Rossetti's volume show his craftsman-

ship on a larger scale than anything hitherto published. Nothing here, indeed, surpasses 'Sister Helen' in tragic intensity. But 'Rose Mary' is more varied in incident, more complex in emotion, and it compels into the service of poetry, tragic with human passion, more high-wrought marvels of the fantasy. . . . 'The king's tragedy' is unquestionably the greatest narrative-poem that we have yet had from Mr. Rossetti."—*The Academy* (London).

**Russell,** A. P. Thomas Corwin: a sketch. Cin., Rob. Clarke & Co., 1881. 128 p. por. D. cl., $1.

A sketch of one of Ohio's representative men, by the author of "Library notes" and "Half tints;" he was b. in Ky., 1794, d. in Washington, D.C., 1865; was in succession a member of the Ohio Legislature, Member of Congress, Governor of Ohio, U.S. Senator and Secretary of the Treasury. The sketch abounds in anecdotes, illustrating Gov. Corwin's great powers as a humorist, conversationalist and orator. The book is a handsome one typographically, and is embellished with a new steel-plate portrait engraved expressly for it by J. A. J. Wilcox, of Boston, from a photograph by Brady.

**Sand,** George (*pseud.*) [*Mme.* A. L. A. D. Dudevant]. Indiana: a love story. [*New ed.*] Phil., T. B. Peterson & Bros., [1881]. 13–258 p. sq. S. cl., $1; pap., 75 c.

**Senior** lesson-book on the International lesson for 1882. N. Y., Phillips & Hunt, 1881. 179 p. 18°. (Berean ser., no. 1.) bds., 15 c.

**Shepherd,** W:, *ed.* The literary life: authors and authorship. N. Y., G: P. Putnam's Sons, 1882 [1881]. 258 p. 16°. cl., $1.25.

**Smith,** G: Barnett, *ed.* Illustrated English ballads, old and new. N. Y., Cassell, Petter, Galpin & Co., 1881. 2 v. 16+384; 16+384 p. 4°. cl., $10.

**Stories** for language lessons: a reading pastime for little beginners. [*New ed.*] Bost., D. Lothrop & Co., [1881]. No paging, il. sq. O. bds., 50 c.

**Thorpe,** Rose Hartwick. The yule-log: a cluster of Christmas selections for holiday times. Chic., F. H. Revell, 1881. 20 p. shaped like a yule-log, and tied with ribbons, narrow D. pap., 50 c.

**Terrible** mistake (A), by the author of "Dora Thorne;" [*also*] By a leap. N. Y., J. S. Ogilvie & Co., 1881. 30 p. Q. (People's lib., no. 142.) pap., 10 c.

**Tupper,** Martin F. Illustrated edition of proverbial philosophy. N. Y., Cassell, Petter, Galpin & Co., 1881. 10+408 p. 4°. cl., $4.

**Vincent,** J: H., *D.D.*, *and* Hurlbut, *Rev.* J. L. The lesson commentary on the International Sunday-school lessons for 1882. N. Y., Phillips & Hunt, 1881. 295 p. 8°. cl., $1.25.

**Virgil.** The greater poems of Virgil: containing the pastoral forms and six books of Æneid, by J. B. Greenough. Bost., Ginn, Heath & Co., 1881. 295 p. 12°. cl., $1.30.

**Walker,** J. H. A few facts and suggestions on money, trade and banking. Bost., Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 1882 [1881]. 105 p. D. cl., 75 c.

A clear, business-like discussion of the subjects of money, trade and finance, by a business man who has no theories to advocate, but presents sensible and practical views based on thorough observation and long experience.

**Washburne,** E. B. Sketch of Edward Coles, second governor of Illinois, and of the slavery struggle of 1823–4; prepared for the Chicago Historical Soc. Chic., Jansen, McClurg & Co., 1882 [1881]. 253 p. por. O. cl., $1.75.

This work grew out of a request from the Chicago Historical Society for a paper on the life and public service of Gov. Coles; the paper expanded into a volume, the writer finding so much of interest on the subject; he enters upon the political history of the period with great minuteness, and gives an account of the governor's career and his struggle in 1823–'24, to prevent the extension of slavery into Illinois. Contains fac-similes of many interesting letters.

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## NOTES ON AUTHORS.

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HERBERT SPENCER has just published the eighth part of the monumental work which he calls "Descriptive Sociology." It treats of "French Civilization," and has been compiled by Mr. James Collier, who was also, it will be remembered, the compiler of "English Civilization." "We regret to learn," says the *Academy*, "that this part will be the last of the series, for the enterprise has proved so far from remunerative that Mr. Spencer cannot continue it longer at his own expense. Still more painful is it to learn that Mr. Collier's health has entirely broken down under the labor—we do not say, because of the labor."

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*TREATY BETWEEN FRANCE AND BELGIUM*

*From the London Academy.*

The commercial treaty between France and Belgium, which is now under consideration by a committee of the French Chamber, includes international copyright among the subject-matter of its provisions. It is proposed to extend the period within which foreign authors shall mutually enjoy an absolute right of authorizing a translation of their works from five to ten years, provided that the translation first appears within three years. But this extension does not satisfy the "Syndicat des Sociétés littéraires et artistiques pour la Protection de la Propriété intellectuelle à l'Etranger," which is presided over by M. G. Hachette. He urges that the literary convention of June, 1881, between France and Spain, which fixes no limit of time as regards translation except that of the author's copyright in the original, should be adopted as the standard formula; that it should not be necessary for an author to state, in the front of his work, that he reserves the right of translation; and that the reproduction of articles in periodicals and newspapers, other than political, should be prohibited, unless with the sanction of the author. One would have thought that the question of translation, as opposed to reproduction, was not of much importance between France and Belgium.

*THE RULE THAT DID NOT WORK BOTH WAYS.*

A cable despatch from Canada announces that the application of Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) for a Canadian copyright of his new book has been refused. The claim for a copyright was made on the strength of Clemens' visit and domicile for two weeks in Montreal. The authorities decide that such residence is not a legal domicile.

## POSTAL MATTERS.

*DECISIONS AFFECTING PUBLISHERS FROM OCT. 20 TO NOV. 20, 1881.*

*From the December Postal Guide.*

643. The *Postal Guide* for January, 1882, will contain a condensed revision of the rulings of the Post-Office Department, and a complete list of all the sections of the 1879 edition P. L. & R. which may have been revoked, changed, or modified.

645. There is nothing in the postal law prohibiting a "dun," or threat of prosecution, being sent in the mail by postal card. Further than enforcing sections 225 and 226, P. L. & R., the Post-Office Department takes no cognizance of the character of the language of such cards. The court, and not the Department, is the proper source of protection against libel.

647. Corrected proof-sheets of printed maps, with or without manuscript copy, are entitled to be returned to the printer, or engraver, at third-class rates.

649. It is the duty of a postmaster to examine postal cards and to see that they contain no improper matters, but they must not disclose the contents. It is also the duty of a postmaster to examine all matter other than such as may be sealed against inspection, to see that it contains no improper matter, or such as may be subject to a higher rate of postage, but they should under no circumstances break the seal of a package in order to examine it. It is not the duty of a postmaster to open packages of third or fourth-class matter in the presence of the person addressed. If a package reaches a post-office, sealed with a stamp so that it could not be opened without breaking the stamp, the postmaster should not open it, but should rate it up with letter postage and deliver it upon payment of the same, unless the party addressed desires that it should be held by the postmaster unopened, until a request can be forwarded to the Postmaster-General for permission to remit the extra charge, upon the package being opened by the person addressed and found not to contain any matter rendering it subject to a higher rate of postage than already paid.

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660. The First Assistant Postmaster-General has decided that in addition to the name and address of the person to whom matter of the second class shall be sent, and index figures of



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first one, on Kant, will be issued early in the

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## CHEAP BOOKS IN ENGLAND.

*From the London Times.*

A FEW weeks ago a distinguished and enterprising authoress took a step which was received with considerable alarm by that very conservative body, the publishing trade. Lady Brassey brought out an edition of "The Voyage of the Sunbeam," with abundant illustrations, at the price of 6d. The form was hardly that of a book, but rather that of one of the weekly newspapers; but the type was legible enough, and everything, we believe, was contained in the sixpenny form that had been contained in the original volume. The old established firms did not like it at all; they thought it a vulgarization of literature and they prophesied failure. The event has falsified the prophecy, for it is said that over a hundred thousand "Sunbeams" have already been sold, and it does not appear that those who ought to be able to judge admit the vulgarization. For last week the example of Lady Brassey was followed by Sir Theodore Martin, with the sanction of the Queen, and the first sixpenny part of the "Life of the Prince Consort" is already in the hands of thousands of readers. The five volumes are to appear, practically unabridged, in five parts, and the public will be able to buy for half a crown what has till now cost them some £4. Such an event marks an epoch in the history of the book trade in this country, and it may well have a wide and far-reaching influence.

## LITERARY AND TRADE NOTES.

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A. H. MCCALMAN, 115 Broad St., N. Y., calls attention to his excellent "Abridged History of England," from the time of the Ancient Britons to the present time. The volume has been rightly characterized by the *Evening Post* as "a business man's history, full of facts, free from the puzzling gaps and uncertainties common to abridged histories."

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